ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A batched process for producing optical components for use in fiber-optic

networks. The process involves creating optical substrate blocks with thin-film filters

on at least one surface of the of the substrate blocks. Other surfaces on the blocks are

finely polished such the several blocks may be fused together at the polished surfaces.

By placing the blocks such that the thin-film filters on adjacent blocks are diagonally

opposed and then fusing together adjacent blocks, the blocks connected in this manner

can perform various optical functions. Some of the optical components that can be

formed using this process include power taps, optical add/drop modules, multiplexers,

and demultiplexers.

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